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Title: PHASE DISTRIBUTION MEASURING INSTRUMENT AND PHASE DISTRIBUTION MEASURING METHOD	) ) ) )

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application. Accordingly, Applicants do not believe that a fee is due for filing this paper.

A Japanese Office Action dated February 6, 2007 that issued in a Japanese patent application and having documents cited therein is attached, along with its partial English-language translation, for the Examiner's consideration. The cited documents are listed on the attached PTO Form 1449.

The relevance of the attached foreign language documents can be understood from their attached English-language abstracts, and from the citation of these documents in the attached Japanese Office Action dated February 6, 2007. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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